

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Sergeant Major Tad J. Auker's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

*Whereas*, Sergeant Major Auker has devoted more than 30 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader of soldiers, dedicating himself to the assistance of soldiers as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, with many years of support to the Engineer Corps, Golden Coyote Exercises, and to service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom as well; and,

*Whereas*, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

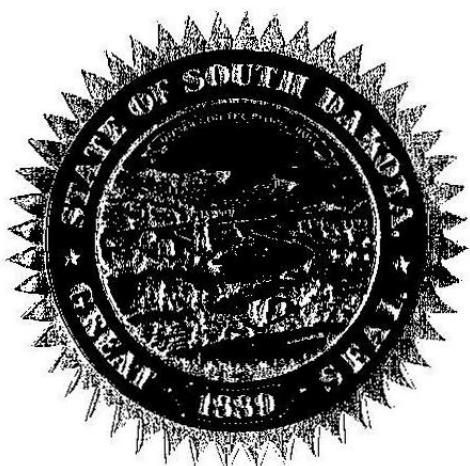
*Whereas*, Sergeant Major Auker continues to give of himself; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant Major Tad J. Auker for more than 30 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

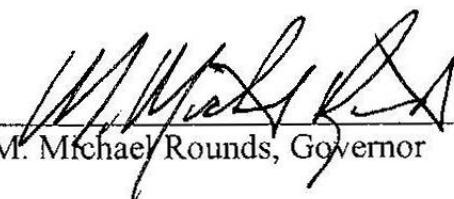
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 9, 2010, as

### *SERGEANT MAJOR TAD J. AUKER DAY*

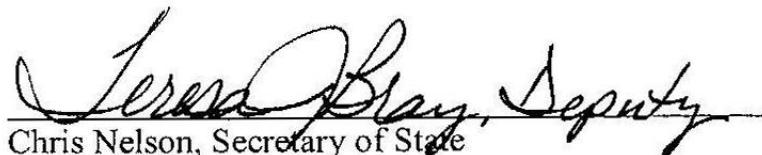
in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

  
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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State